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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Security Research Staff

SUBJECT : Project MERRIMACK

1. Reference is made to previous discussions and memorandums regarding the above subject.

2. On 10 April 1967 one of our assets attended a CORE meeting during the evening. This was a mass rally of citizens meeting at the new Bethel Church, 8th and S Streets, N.W., concerning equal justice. This meeting was presided over by the Reverend EATON of the Bethel Church. Prior to the start of the meeting, Julius HOBSON asked that all policemen and men from the CIA please leave. Four people stood up and three left. One identified himself as a policeman from the 6th precinct and, being a citizen, felt that he had a right to remain, but was ordered to leave. Reverend FLAUNTAROV read from the Scripture. Mr. NEAL, Chairman of the Black Arts Society, was introduced. The entire discussion centered around Raymond BARRY and police brutality. [REDACTED] was specifically pointed out as one of the worst kind and a decision was made to place [REDACTED] under surveillance for a week beginning Monday, 17 April. Following the mass meeting, CORE committee groups formed (which our agent was not privileged to) to discuss what further steps were going to be taken.

3. At 10:00 p.m. on 11 April 1967 one of our assets attended a meeting at St. Stephen's Church, 16th and Newton Street, N.W., which was attended by representatives of various civil rights groups including CORE, SNCC, etc. This meeting was held to plan a trip to New York City on 15 April. The plan is for a 20-carriage train to depart Washington, D.C., Union Station, at 6:50 a.m., 15 April and will leave New York City at 6:00 p.m. to return to Washington, D.C. The demonstrations in New York are planned for the United Nations building to protest the war in Vietnam. The meeting was attended by about 75 people, 25 of which were Negro. The chairman of the meeting was identified as [REDACTED], a Negro. A student from the University of Maryland announced that a meeting is to be held on 13 April at 11:00 a.m. to discuss a teach-in.

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4. Your office will be kept informed on a daily basis of the continuing coverage afforded by Project MERRIMACK. To date, no information has been learned concerning local demonstrations or any demonstrations directed against this Agency.

Acting Chief  
Special Activities Division

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